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PATENT  
B588-023 (25815.023)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Nobuko Yamamoto, et al.  
Application : 09/942,003  
For : AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE, AUTHENTICATION  
CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE SYSTEM, AND AUTHENTICATION  
SYSTEM  
Filed : August 29, 2001  
Examiner : Cristina O. Sherr  
Art Unit : 3685  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 6, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

- 1) **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.
- 2) **Remarks** begin on page 17 of this Amendment.